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Mr. Jeff Morales, Director  
California Department of Transportation  
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Attention: Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500  
For Greg Wong, Office of Federal Transportation Program Management

Dear Mr. Morales:

**SUBJECT: FY 2000/01 FSTIP Amendment NO. 3 – Kings County**

We have completed our review of Amendment No. 3 to the State and Local Highway Elements of the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) 2000/01-2002/03 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) that was submitted by your letter dated December 28, 2001. KCAG adopted this amendment with Resolution No. 01-15 on December 6, 2001.

We accept this amendment in accordance with the provisions of 23 CFR Part 450. We find that this FTIP Amendment was developed through a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process carried out in accordance with the provisions of 23 U.S.C. section 134, and section 8 of the Federal Transit Act (49 U.S.C. app. §1607). We find that the changes made to the KCAG FTIP by this amendment are exempt from the regional emissions analysis and conformity determination requirements. This finding is made in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the KCAG and Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG), wherein the COFCG makes the finding of air quality conformity for Kings County.

In accordance with the procedures outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding between FHWA and FTA on single mode TIP Amendments, dated March 8, 1996, this letter constitutes joint FHWA and FTA approval for inclusion of FSTIP Amendment No. 3, Kings County, into California's 2000/01-2002/03 FSTIP.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Wade Hobbs*  
For  
Michael G. Ritchie  
Division Administrator